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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

COLUMN 2

Line 14, "made" should read --make--.

COLUMN 5

Line 35, "ling" should read --line--.

COLUMN 7

Line 13, "of,a" should read --of a--.

Line 51, "on, flag" should read --on, indicating that a copying operation is in progress, the sequence returns to the step S20.

On the other hand, if the step S21 identifies that the copy mode flag is off or has been turned off, the sequence proceeds to a step S22 to display a message "remove sheets from the sorter" in the display unit 801 of the operational panel 102, and the sequence returns to the step S20 to await the elimination of the sheets from the sorter unit.

On the other hand, if the step S20 identifies the use of the sorter and that the bins of the necessary number are empty in the sorter at the printing, or identifies that the sorter is not used, the sequence proceeds to a step S25, in which the main controller 105 discriminates whether the copy mode flag is on. The copy mode flag is turned on when the copying operation is in progress, so that, if the printer engine 109 is in use and the copy mode flag is on, the sequence waits until the copy mode flag is turned off.

When the copy mode flag is turned off, the sequence proceeds to a step S26 for discriminating whether a scan start flag is on. As will be explained later, the scan start flag is set in case of the image input operation from the image input unit, and is turned on when the image input unit 101 completes the preparation for reading and

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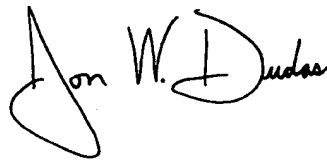
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COLUMN 7 (Cont'd)

starts the image reading operation. The steps S26 monitors that the scan start flag--.

Signed and Sealed this

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